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SUBJECT: INDIAN OCEAN METEOROLOGICAL FLIGHTS
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REF: WEARECONRON FOUR 271824Z MAR 74

1. THE U.S. NAVY PROPOSES TO TRY AGAIN WITH A WP-3 METEOROLOGICAL MISSION INTO THE INDIAN OCEAN REGION. THE FLIGHT WOULD BE FROM THE NAVAL AIR STATION AT JACKSONVILLE (FLORIDA) TO LAJES, ROTA, INCIRLIK, SHIRAZ, THE SEYCHELLES, PORT LOUIS (MAURITIUS), DIEGO GARCIA, A BACK. THE PURPOSE OF THE FLIGHT WOULD BE TO GATHER DATA BASE WHICH WOULD BE UNCLASSIFIED AND AVAILABLE TO ANY LEGITIMATE USER, CIVIL OR GOVERNMENTAL. THE FLIGHT ITSELF WOULD BE UNCLASSIFIED AND, SUBJECT TO SPACE AND TIME LIMITATIONS, THE GOVERNMENT OF MAURITIUS MIGHT WISH TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVES VISIT THE AIRCRAFT WHILE ON THE GROUND AT PLAISANCE, OR EVEN FLY ON A PORTION OF THE TRIP.

2. YOU WILL RECALL THAT THIS SAME TYPE OF WEATHER FLIGHT WAS PROPOSED FOR LAST FALL AND APPROVED, BUT THEN CANCELED DUE TO DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST. WE WOULD NOW LIKE TO RESCHEDULE IT FOR AN EARLY OPPORTUNITY. NAVY PROPOSES TO HAVE THE AIRCRAFT DEPART JACKSONVILLE ON APRIL 25 AND ARRIVE AT PLAISANCE ON MAY 3.

3. GOM'S NOTE TO YOU OF AUGUST 1, 1973, GAVE CLEAR APPROVAL TO THESE FLIGHTS, SUBJECT OF COURSE TO ADEQUATE NOTIFICATION BEING GIVEN BY US (48 HOURS). UNLESS YOU FORESEE PROBLEMS IN DOING SO, PLEASE GO AHEAD WITH NORMAL NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES. THE AIRCRAFT WOULD BE A NAVY WEATHER WP-3A ORION, FOUR ENGINE TURBO-PROP 149675 OR ALTERNATIVELY 149676. VOICE CALL SIGN IS "NAVY WEATHER 675"; AIRCRAFT COMMANDER LCDR J. T. BYRON, USN, PLUS 13 CREW MEMBERS, ALL OF WHOM ARE U.S. CITIZENS ON ACTIVE DUTY. DETAILED ITINERARY FOLLOWS, ALL TIMES GMT, APRIL/MAY 1974:

ETA/
 ORIG NAS JACKSONVILLE, FL 251100Z

251930Z NAF LAJES, AZ 261000Z

261500Z NS ROTA, SP 261000Z
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271420Z INCIRLIK CDI, TY 280700Z

281110Z SHIRAZ INN, IN 290430Z

291300Z SEYCHELLES INTNL, SEYCHELLES 010500Z

011200Z PLAISANCE, MAURITIUS 030500Z

031300Z DIEGO GARCIA	040300Z
041300Z SHIRAZ INTNL, IN	050600Z
051130Z CICLI/IZMIR, TY	070700Z
071210Z TORREJON, SP	090900Z
091430Z LAJES, ZA	100900Z
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